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Dr. George Diehr Chair, Investment Committee California Public Employees' Retirement System 400 Q Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Global Fixed Income Delegations

Dear Dr. Diehr:

You requested Wilshire's opinion with respect to the proposed change to the Global Fixed Income Delegations.

## Recommendation

Wilshire recommends that the Investment Committee approve the change to the Global Fixed Income Delegations as presented.

## **Background**

Staff has proposed making a single change to the Delegations for Global Fixed Income – allowing the SIO to implement interest rate hedges on behalf of other asset classes, upon request. Given that the Global Fixed Income team already executes currency transactions and currency hedges on behalf of other asset classes, as requested, we believe that this change is reasonable and should be allowed. Interest rate hedges will decrease the risk to the CalPERS portfolio from undesired or unforeseen interest rate movements, presumably increasing the stability of returns from interest rate sensitive investments.

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Best regards,

